

St. James Major Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)
Sunday: 10:00 am
Tuesday – Friday: 8:30 am (in Chapel)

Monday: Communion Service 8:30 am

Holy Hour: First Friday following 8:30 am Mass.
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

Confessions

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm
And by request

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

New Parishioners: Welcome to the Parish! Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

Baptisms: Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

Funerals: Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.

The Pastor's

A YEAR OF GRATITUDE

Hopefully not me alone, but I cannot just believe it. It is a year since I arrived in St. James Major Church as pastor on August 1, 2018. Indeed "the saying that time waits for no man" caught up with me by surprise. What did I do with three hundred and sixty-five (365) days? I remember my arrival with eleven years of priestly experience to step into the big shoes of my predecessor with many years of pastoral experience. Not only that, but also I was stepping into a church that was established for almost a hundred years.

We were told in the seminary that if your time flies away it is either you are enjoying your days or you are too busy with things to be done. In my case, as I look back, I guess it is both. Yes, I am enjoying my days with lovely staff and parishioners since my arrival. I have not and will not allow a day to pass by without making the best of it. You have all been inspirational on my way, and I wish to acknowledge and extend my gratitude to you all for your time, rich insights, support and help. I couldn't have asked for a better parish than this. So then, I thank the Archbishop for appointing me to St James Major Church, where I have the opportunity to know, serve and work with you.

I also agree that my days have been busy with our many buildings around me. Work in and around these buildings has taken so much of my time: cutting grass, washing around or fixing something. The joy for me in all these is that I can see a little change. Not all has been done by me though, but angels like you who stopped by to help, or volunteered or took the initiative to add you hand to what is going on. My friends, it reminds me of the family of God which we daily pray for to come on earth.

Our preparation for the Hundred Years of this parish gives me joy and hope that all is gonna be well with us in the near future. Just be a part of it, and you will come to know joy and happiness because you did. Thank you my friends and HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IN ADVANCE.



Michael Maliwo Labre



The Centennial Outreach Committee will be helping to update our parish census. We encourage those who are not registered as parishioners of St. James Major to complete a census form. Those who are registered will be contacted for updated information. Pink census forms can be found on the tables at the church doors.



Centennial Committees

As the parish continues working on our 100-year celebration, notices of the progress of the committees and ways in which you can help will be posted in the bulletin. The symbol at the left will appear whenever a centennial notice or information about the upcoming events is printed.

Thank You to the Gentilly Knights of Columbus for keeping our church and rectory grounds well groomed. The grass is cut, the bushes are trimmed, the borders are edged, the steps, sidewalks and parking lot have been pressure washed and the trash is removed. Thanks, gentlemen, for taking such good care of the property.



A Stewardship Moment

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, ones life does not consist of possessions."

Luke 12:15

The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous life of Stewardship becoming more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."



Food Bank Needs Specific Items

Our food bank is in need of several specific items: Vienna sausage, tuna, Spam, chili, canned fruit, soup, 2-lb bags of rice, rice mixes, canned pasta, canned or powdered milk, mac & cheese, breakfast items, cake mixes, and jello. Your donation of these items, either name brand or store brand, is greatly appreciated. We are unable to redistribute commodity food.



Mass Intentions

Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

8:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

10:00 am Intentions of our parishioners who are ill, for all who have asked for prayer, and for the repose of the souls of

- +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr.
- +Van Den Akker Family
- +Mary Louise Maginnis
- +Marguerite Bennette
- +Eugene Johnson, Sr.
- +Isadore Dunnaway, Sr.

- +Rochelle Age
- +Arthur Collins
- +Emile Oliver
- +Jessie Grigsby
- +Kathy Hogan
- +Corey Thompson

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

8:30 am Communion Service

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

- 8:30 am +Joseph & Florence Richard
- +Ralph Dennis
- +Peter Flattmann
- +Joseph Chevis

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory P.L.)

THURSDAY, August 8

8:30 am Int. Dominic Williams

FRIDAY, August 9

8:30 am +Patricia Lindley Schmidt

Please pray for them: Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Gloria Age, Audrey Wilson, Gail Wright, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Dominic Carmouche, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Yvonne Bechet, Gerald Mercadel, Sr., Susan Lauterbach, Thais Ardoin, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Herbert Briant, Sr., Irene Ward, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Jill Courseault, John Lambert, Meredith LeBlanc, Pamela Jordon, Mallory Tuggles and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of you or your relatives on the prayer list.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 05 Monday **DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST. MARY MAJOR or WEEKDAY**
Numbers 11:4b-15; Ps 81; Matthew 14:13-21
- 06 Tuesday **TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97; 2 Peter 1:1-19; Luke 9:28b-36
- 07 Wednesday **ST. SIXTUS II AND COMPANIONS or ST. CAJETAN or WEEKDAY**
Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-36; Ps 106; Matthew 15:21-28
- 08 Thursday **ST. DOMINIC**
Numbers 20:1-13; Ps 95; Matthew 16:13-23
- 09 Friday **ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS or WEEKDAY**
Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Ps 77; Matthew 16:24-28
- 10 Saturday **ST. LAWRENCE**
2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Ps 112; John 12:2-26
- 11 Sunday **19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Wisdom 18:6-9; Ps 33; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48

Lectors & Commentators



- Aug 03 Gaynell Marchand, Gloria Jordon
- Aug 04 Madeline Curtis, Hilda Bell



Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

- Aug 03 Aggie Jackson, Roy LeBlanc
- Aug 04 Denise Huner, Lawrence Dejan



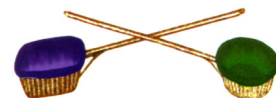
Our Men and Women in the Service



Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

- SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC
- PVT Robert Cook, USA
- SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF
- SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF
- PO2 Melissa Flot, USN
- SGT Robert Lambert, USA
- Alvin Benjamin, USN
- A1C Andrew Montz, USAF

Church Support



OFFERTORY COLLECTION (July 20-21)

First Collection	\$ 1890.00
Second Collection	<u>623.00</u>
	\$ 2513.00

Thank you for supporting your parish.